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SUBJ: JAPAN-MICRONESIA ASSOCIATION DIRECTORS TRAVEL IN TTPI

SUMMARY: TWO DIRECTORS OF JAPAN-MICRONESIA ASSOCIATION WILL TRAVEL THROUGHOUT TTPI DECEMBER 8-24 TO EXPAND CONTACTS. END SUMMARY.

1. TWO DIRECTORS OF RECENTLY CHARTERED JAPAN-MICRONESIA ASSOCIATION, JIRO ISHIKAWA AND SADA O KOFUKADA, WILL BE TRAVELING TO ALL TTPI DISTRICTS DECEMBER 8-24 TO CONTACT DISTRICT OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN. THEY PLAN TO DISCUSS GOALS OF THEIR ORGANIZATION AND POSSIBILITY OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE, INCLUDING SELECTION OF MICRONESIA ARTS FOR EXHIBITION IN JAPAN.

2. ITINERARY: SAIPAN, HAFADAI BEACH, DECEMBER 8-10; YAP, RAI VIEW, 11-12; PALAU, CONTINENTAL, 13-15; GUAM, CONTINENTAL, 16; TRUK, CONTINENTAL, 17-18; PONAPE, SOUTH PARK, 19-
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3. ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT YOSHIO IWATA WITH TWO DIRECTORS BRIEFED EMBOFF ON TRIP DECEMBER 2. ALL EMPHASIZED UNDERSTANDING OF FONOFF INSTRUCTION TO AVOID DISCUSSION OF TTPI FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS. IWATA INDICATED GREAT EMOTIONAL TIES TO MICRONESIA, PERSONAL HOPE GOJ WILL IN FUTURE OFFER ECONOMIC AID TO DEVELOP MICRONESIAN AGRICULTURAL SELF-SUFFICIENCY, DEPLORED POSSIBILITY OF OVER-EXPLOITATION OF TOURIST POTENTIAL, AND REPEATEDLY ASSERTED JAPANESE INTEREST IN TTPI WAS NOT PRIMARILY ECONOMIC.

4. COMMENT: ASSOCIATION IS STRUGGLING TO EXPAND MICRONESIAN CONTACTS AND TO FIND PROJECTS BEYOND VERY SLIM OCCASIONAL BULLETIN. BESIDES AGING 86 YEAR-OLD IWATA WHO HAS MANY OTHER INTERESTS IN CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF ASIA CENTER OF JAPAN AND GOJ ADVISOR ON FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, PART-TIMER AND CHIEF LEG-MAN ISHIKAWA HAS LITTLE CREATIVE IMAGINATION OR PERSONAL PRESENCE. END COMMENT.
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